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1. Between 23 December 1953 and 6 January 1954, the Siegfeld Kaserne in Stahnsdorf was occupied as previously by an estimated 300 to 400 troops wearing black-bordered black, blue-bordered black and, a few, red-bordered black epaulets. No training other than physical training and, occasionally, drill were observed. Motor vehicles

25X1B were seen entering the installation. 25X1B

2. In late December, about 30 troops practiced the construction of temporary telephone lines in the Ludendorff Kaserne. Training continued until after nightfall. Physical training and drill, involving 20 to 30 soldiers, were occasionally observed. Motor vehicles

25X1B were seen entering the installation. 25X1B

3. The Schlieffen Kaserne appeared to be less occupied than the other two installations and, probably, quartered not more than 250 troops with black and, a few, crimson service color. Source did not observe any training activity. Motor vehicles seen entering and leaving the installation

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4. On 1 January, the main streets of Stahnsdorf had been renamed. Another 120 apartments for officer families expected to arrive in Stahnsdorf were to be made available. The evacuation had not yet been ordered. The units received instruction in English and German for several hours a day. The courses were also attended by officers not stationed in Stahnsdorf.

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Comment. The information does not indicate any change in the occupation of the installations mentioned over observations in late December by this and another source. The Schlieffen Kaserne had then been reported occupied by 300 and 500 troops by this and another source, respectively. As the installation, in addition to the Teltow komendatura, is believed to quarter officer families, it presumably is occupied to capacity. Strength figures in this report, therefore, are believed to be correct.

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